

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated May 11, 2009 (“*Office Action*”). Claims 1-2, 4-14, 16-25, 27-35, and 37-50 are pending in the Application. The *Office Action* rejects Claims 1-2, 4-14, 16-25, 27-35, and 37-50. To advance prosecution of this application, Applicant amends Claims 1, 13, 24, and 37. Applicant does not admit that the amendments are necessary due to the cited references or any of the Examiner’s rejections. For at least the reasons provided below, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

Section 103 Rejections

The *Office Action* rejects Claims 1-2, 4-14, 16-25, 27-35, and 37-50 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,584,009 to Hughes (“*Hughes*”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,505,237 to Beyda et al. (“*Beyda*”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection for the reasons stated below.

Applicant respectfully submits that amended independent Claim 1 is allowable at least because the proposed *Hughes-Beyda* combination fails to disclose, teach, or suggest, expressly or inherently, elements specifically recited in Applicant’s claims. For example, the *Hughes-Beyda* combination fails to disclose, teach, or suggest the following recited in amended Claim 1 (emphasis added):

requesting, by the client, downloading of a selected file residing in the server, the selected file needing access, either directly or indirectly, to at least one associated file in order to be used, the selected file including instructions to access the at least one associated file, the selected file further being associated with at least one profile, *wherein the profile identifies the at least one associated file by a globally unique identifier, wherein the globally unique identifier remains constant when the at least one associated file is renamed or relocated in the server*.

The *Office Action* relies on *Hughes* to disclose a previous version of the above portion of Claim 1. (*Office Action*, pages 4-5.) Specifically, the *Office Action* points to “one of the users profiles” and column 7, lines 60-64 to teach the claimed “at least one profile” of Claim 1 above. This is incorrect, however, because *Hughes*’ user profiles do not “[identify] the at least one associated file by a *globally unique identifier*, wherein the globally unique identifier remains constant when the at least one associated file is renamed or relocated in the

server" as recited in amended Claim 1 (emphasis added). Rather, *Hughes* discloses that its user profiles merely identify various operating systems or application programs:

The local server 140 acts as a local cache for the server farm. Each user that accesses the system 100 through the server 140 has at least one profile *identifying any OS or application program that is required by that user.* When the user's profile is first identified to the local server 140, the server 140 requests (from server farm 100) the applications and images that are required to service that user.

(*Hughes*, column 5, lines 24-30, emphasis added.) Thus, *Hughes* does not teach "requesting, by the client, downloading of a selected file residing in the server, the selected file needing access, either directly or indirectly, to at least one associated file in order to be used, the selected file including instructions to access the at least one associated file, the selected file further being associated with at least one profile, wherein the profile identifies the at least one associated file by a globally unique identifier, wherein the globally unique identifier remains constant when the at least one associated file is renamed or relocated in the server" as recited in amended Claim 1.

Additionally, Claim 1, as amended, includes the limitation, "searching, by the client, for the at least one associated file using the globally unique identifier in response to a failure to find the at least one associated file in the server." Applicant submits that both *Hughes* and *Beyda* are completely devoid of any teaching of this limitation as recited in amended Claim 1.

For at least these reasons, amended independent Claim 1 and its dependent claims are allowable under 35 U.S.C. § 103. For analogous reasons, amended independent Claims 13, 24, and 37 and their respective dependent claims are allowable under 35 U.S.C. § 103. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

No Waiver

All of Applicant's arguments are without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to discuss the distinctions between the applied art and the claims in a later Response or on Appeal, if appropriate. By not responding to additional statements made by the Examiner, Applicant does not acquiesce to the Examiner's additional statements. The example distinctions discussed by Applicant are sufficient to overcome the rejections.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Attorney for Applicant at the Examiner's convenience.

Although Applicant believes no other fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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